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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Kindly amend the application as follows.

In the specification, page 7, between lines 39 and 41, insert the following paragraph:

-- Testing means 510, 511 test the data network 103, thereby detecting failures in the data network as described above.--

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In the specification, page 8, between lines 14 and 16, insert the following paragraph:

--The arrangement described thus contemplates what may be termed an "on-demand communications channel" which is established in the event of failure in the packet-switched communications channel. The on-demand communications channel may be ISDN.--

REMARKS

This paper responds to the Office Action dated February 27, 2002. Applicant requests a one-month extension of time. Form PTO-2038 is attached in the amount of . Any deficiency in fees may be charged to our deposit account number 15-0610.